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ELASTOMER COMPOSITE MADE THEREWITH,
AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of December 8, 2003. Thus, since it is filed within one month of the mailing date of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, there is no delay or fee in this matter, beyond that which would be due if the originally filed Preliminary Amendment of September 12, 2003 had been considered at that time.

This is submitted in connection with a concurrently filed request for continued examination (RCE). A three month time extension request is hereby submitted. This Amendment employs the revised amendment format recently adopted by the U.S. Patent Office, and additions or deletions to the claims are presented in bold.